AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application. Claims 1, 3-5, 7-14, and 17-20 have been amended.

1. (Currently amended) A terminal comprising:

a menu screen obtaining unit for obtaining a menu screen including pieces of link information for potential display on the menu screen;

a connection status checking unit for checking the connection status of a linked server specified by each piece of ~~the~~ link information included within the menu screen, the connection status indicating whether the linked server is wirelessly accessible or not from a present location of the terminal; and

a menu screen display processing unit for displaying, on the menu screen, only pieces of link information that are associated with accessible linked servers based upon the connection status of ~~the~~ each linked server checked by the connection status checking unit ~~on the menu screen~~ such that the menu screen does not display pieces of link information obtained by the menu screen obtaining unit corresponding to inaccessible linked servers.

2. (Original) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein a process of checking the connection status by the connection status checking unit is performed in parallel with a display process by the menu screen display processing unit.

3. (Currently amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein a discrimination mark differs depending upon a level of the connection status and is associated with the corresponding piece of ~~the~~ link information, the level of the connection status indicating the strength of radio waves received by the terminal associated with the linked server, the radio waves carrying image data displayable on a network browser or audio data.

4. (Currently amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein a color according to a level of the connection status is applied to the corresponding piece of ~~the~~ link information or a portion related thereto.

5. (Currently amended) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the menu screen display processing unit ~~does not~~ displaying a piece of ~~the~~ link information corresponding to an ~~in~~accessible linked server is an indication that music data originating from the accessible linked server is currently wirelessly downloadable to the terminal.

6. (Original) A terminal according to Claim 1, wherein the terminal is mounted upon a vehicle and the connection status checking unit checks the connection status of the linked server while the vehicle is stopped.

7. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal comprising:

a menu screen obtaining unit for obtaining a menu screen including pieces of link information associated with linked servers interconnected with a network that are potentially accessible by the vehicle mounted terminal;

a connection status checking unit for checking the current connection status of ~~a~~ each linked server specified by ~~each~~ the pieces of ~~the~~ link information included within the menu screen when a component of the vehicle mounted terminal determines that the connection status of at least one linked server has changed ~~changes~~, the current connection status indicating whether the corresponding linked server is wirelessly accessible or not by the vehicle mounted terminal; and

a menu screen display processing unit for displaying the current connection status of ~~the~~ each linked server checked by the connection status checking unit on the menu screen.

8. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, wherein the connection status of the at least one linked server is determined to have changed by a vehicle-speed determining unit of the vehicle mounted terminal ~~changes~~ when the speed of the vehicle changes and crosses a predetermined value.

9. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising a communication processing unit for receiving image and/or audio information transmitted from the at least one linked server through radio waves,

wherein the connection status of the at least one linked server changes when the electric field strength of ~~received~~ the radio waves carrying the image and/or audio information received by ~~in~~ the communication processing unit is determined to have changed ~~changes~~ and ~~crosses~~ crossed a predetermined reference value by an electric-field strength determining unit of the vehicle mounted terminal.

10. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising a communication medium determining unit for determining ~~the~~ a change of ~~the~~ (1) a communication medium or (2) a communications mode, the change of communication medium comprising a change between a wireless Local Area Network (LAN) and a mobile telephone by which data is wirelessly received by the vehicle mounted terminal, and a change of communications mode comprising a change of communication bands by which data is wirelessly received by the vehicle mounted terminal,

wherein the connection status of the at least one linked server is determined to have changed ~~changes~~ when the ~~communication medium determined by the~~ communication medium determining unit determines that the communication medium or communications mode has changed ~~changes~~.

11. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising a geographic condition determining unit for determining geographic conditions of a driving location of ~~the~~ a vehicle upon which the vehicle mounted terminal is mounted, the geographic conditions of the driving location determinable by the geographic condition determining unit include identified high-rise areas, low-rise residential areas, or mountainous areas,

wherein the connection status of the at least one linked server changes when the geographic conditions determined by the geographic condition determining unit change.

12. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising a road determining unit for determining the type of road on which ~~the~~ a vehicle, on which the vehicle mounted terminal is mounted, is running, types of road determinable by the road determining unit including expressways, highways, or other types of road,

wherein the connection status of the at least one linked server is determined to have changed ~~changes~~ when the type of road determined by the road determining unit changes.

13. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising (1) a communication status determining unit for determining communication status, the communication status indicating a level of signal reception for a potentially accessible linked server, and (2) a communication status history storing unit for storing the history of the determined communication status,

wherein the connection status of the at least one linked server is determined to have changed ~~changes~~ when the past communication status corresponding to the driving location of ~~the~~ a vehicle is determined to be unfavorable based upon the communication status history stored within the communication status history storing unit.

14. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, wherein the menu screen has a ~~displayed~~ displayable area larger than a display, and the connection status checking unit checks the connection status of each piece of ~~the~~ link information included within the entire menu screen which can be selectively displayed in the display by scrolling or page change.

15. (Original) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising a function of a computer which can be connected to the Internet,

wherein the menu screen obtaining unit receives the menu screen through the Internet.

16. (Original) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, wherein information transmitted from the linked server includes music data.

17. (Currently amended) A vehicle mounted terminal according to Claim 7, further comprising a function of a receiver for receiving information distributed from a broadcast station,

wherein the menu screen obtaining unit retrieves the menu screen stored within a storage device incorporated in the receiver, the receiver being located on a vehicle.

18. (Currently amended) A method for displaying a menu screen, comprising:

displaying a menu screen on a terminal mounted on a vehicle, the menu screen including pieces of link information associated with potentially accessible linked servers;

checking ~~the~~ a current connection status of ~~a~~ each potentially accessible linked server specified by ~~each~~ the pieces of ~~the~~ link information included within the menu screen when (1) the vehicle is traveling and (2) the terminal automatically determines that a predetermined condition that is a function of driving state and/or driving location of the vehicle has been

satisfied, the current connection status indicating whether radio waves carrying image and/or audio data originating from a corresponding potentially accessible ~~associated with the~~ linked server are currently wirelessly accessible or not by the terminal; and

reflecting on the menu screen the checked current connection status of the potentially accessible linked servers in relation to corresponding pieces of link information.

19. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 18, wherein ~~checking the connection status of the linked server is performed~~ the predetermined condition is determined to be satisfied by the terminal when ~~the~~ a connection status of ~~the~~ any potentially accessible linked server changes.

20. (Currently amended) A method according to Claim 18, wherein information transmitted from ~~the~~ an accessible linked server includes music data and the predetermined condition is determined to be repeatedly satisfied by the terminal whenever another timing interval has elapsed.